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ANOTHER MISSIONARY WRITES HOME

Like a breath of fresh, clean mountain air come these occasional letters from the missionaries who are out in the world from Oakland Stake. This time we hear from Eugene Hilton, Jr., writing from distant Dortmund, Germany. Not bothering his head about world politics, but concerned only in the every-day routine of a missioanry devoting his time to the spread of the gospel, 'Gene writes:

"How time does fly! Here it is Saturday again and it seems only yesterday that I wrote last Saturday's letter.

"I imagine you have wondered just what we do with out time over here. Of course, every day is not the same, but there are little incidentals which come every so often to take up their part of the time. Yesterday was for Dortmund, quite a typical day, so I'll jut take you along with us on our rounds.

". . . up at seven though it hurt to do so . . . about three minutes setting-up exercise, enough to wake us up. Then wash, shave, brush teeth, etc., until eight. We then read the Book of Mormon together, out loud and auf Deutsch. After which we study grammar . . . pretty rare for me, I usually have some other kind of work that requires my attention more than the grammar, although I don't speak any too good German. At nine we eat breakfast, mush and milk with a little bread and cheese. A bit of writing, then at ten we went out to visit two friends and an inactive member. One of the friends is particularly interesting. Herr Mann is a painter . . . as far as I could judge he does quite good work. The people have no apparent interest in the church, but they made us so welcome that we felt a little silly. They promised to visit our meeting if we would come and visit with them, so we will go back next Thursday—work in another house meeting . . .

"I practiced music from twelve to one . . . then to visit Familie Stief in Scharhhorst, a little dorf about twelve kilometers from here . . . invited to eat. Brother Stief was the branch president before I came; his wife is district

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ONE WHO KNEW THE PROPHET

By I. B. Ball

(Editor's Note: This is the third installment of a short biography of Joseph Younger Mayberry, father of Sister Josephine Mayberry Braley, a member of Berkeley Ward. Another installment will appear in an early issue.)

The year 1832 is early in Church history, but it was the year in which the Mayberry family were baptised into the Latter-day Church of Christ and moved into Jackson County, Missouri.

But inside a year persecution raised its ugly head, and the spring of 1834 found the Jackson County saints driven across the Missouri River into Clay County, Missouri.

Meanwhile the Prophet was marching with Zion's camp to bring the afflicted Missouri saints clothing and food, as well as moral and spiritual help. The saints, now in Clay County, were still hoping to regain their lands in Jackson County, petitioning the governor and negotiating with the mob.

The mob sent an offer to buy the saints' lands, but on terms that meant confiscation. Moreover no saint could conscientiously sell his "inheritance" under these or any other conditions. The saints then suggested that they would purchase the lands of the old settlers who readily agreed to sell, but on such terms as could not be met on such short notice. It was found out later that it had long been planned for these old settlers to get the lands of the saints for nothing. This in the end they did for the most part. The few saints who sold out to the "enemy" were later disfellowshipped from the Church.

As time went on the saints purchased farms in Clay County and began to make homes there. But the mobbers from Jackson County continued to harry them, and to foment trouble among their new-found friends. These increased disturbances began to alarm the citizens of Clay County, who feared that the mob would molest them for harboring the saints. As gathering clouds in the sky presage the coming storm, so the increased activity of their enemies again foretold more trouble for the "peculiar people" who believed in prophets and present-day revelations, and followed principles of life that set them apart from their intolerant neighbors on the frontiers of America.

And so the Mayberry family, with Joeph Mayberry now grown to the age of fourteen, were destined to wade through more high waters of persecution. In the spring of 1836 (just two years since the saints had settled there) a meeting of Clay County citizens sent

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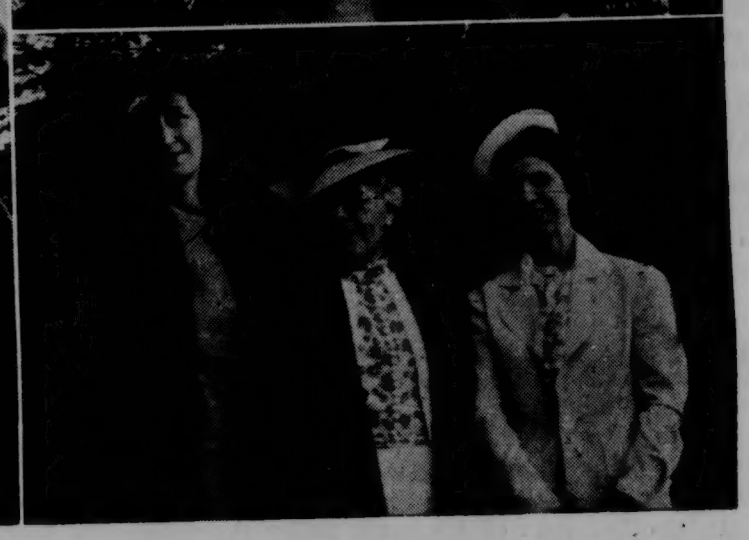
RELIEF SOCIETY AND M. I. A. HOLD CONVENTION

Auxiliary Leaders and General Board Visitors



Upper right: Relief Society Presidency and Visitor, Sarah E. Banning, President Sarah H. Carruth, Nellie O. Parker, General Board Visitor, and Ivie Breck. Lower right: Y. W. M. I. A. Visitor Frieda Jensen, Clarissa Beesley, President Mary Dunham. Left: Y. W. M. I. A. Field Secretary W. O. Robinson, Superintendent Lund Johnson.

The annual conference-convention of the Relief Society and the M. I. A. was held in Oakland Chapel Saturday and Sunday, July 9 and 10. Visiting from Salt Lake City were Elder W. O. Robinson, field secretary of the Y. M. M. I. A.; Sister Nellie O. Parker, of the Relief Society General Board and Sisters Clarissa Beeseley and Frieda Jensen of the Y. W. M. I. A.

A special Stake priesthood meeting was held Saturday evening under the direction of President Eugene Hilton, who reported considerable progress on the welfare projects undertaken in the Stake. Elder David W. Cummings delivered an inspirational sermon, the highlight of which was the thought, "Truths revealed from Kolob can be applied on Main Street."

Sessions of the Relief Society and of the M. I. A. were held Saturday afternoon and evening, in which departmental and group work were taken up.

Sunday morning was devoted to regular quarterly conference session. President Hilton welcomed the saints in brief but inspirational remarks. "The question is," he said, "can we bear the light which has been given to this generation? Very often, before the true meaning of a revelation is discerned, many generations must pass. We have been singled out and given greater light than has been on earth before; are we strong enough to stand it?"

Patriarch I. B. Ball related a visit to him of a prominent minister in an Oakland church who was seeking information about the Mormon

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1.

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EDITORIAL

The world begins to appreciate Mormonism. In a recent isue of the Oakland *Tribune* there appeared in John Hix's department, "Strange As It Seems," a color drawing entitled "Parade of the Handcarts," depicting the struggle of those handcart companies who walked across the plains in the fifties, pushing and pulling their meager belongings all the way.

In another part of the same paper there appears another color drawing under the title, "Highlights of History." A sub-title read, "The Strangest Migration in American History." This drawing, too, depicted the journey of those courageous handcart pioneers.

These are but two more straws in the wind. All around, every day, there are coming to light evidences of the new light in which the world is looking upon this twentieth century religion. The world is beginning to appreciate Mormonism. Do its own adherents do as much?

WARD TEACHING SHOWS GAIN BUT ATTENDANCE REMAINS THE SAME

June statistics for Ward teaching and for attendance at Sacrament meetings show a decided improvement in the former over June of last year, but the latter remains the same. Standings of the various Wards are as follows:

WARD—	Percentage Attending Sacrament Meetings	Percentage of Families Visited by Teachers
Alameda	27	70
Berkeley	16	100
Dimond	26	47
Elmhurst	15	37
Hayward	21	90
Martinez	17	21
Oakland	20	47
Pittsburg	27	60
Richmond	17	100
Vallejo	21	60
Total average percentage	19	63
Ave. percentage, June, 1938	19	39

STAKE PRESIDENCY'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The theme of this message is prompted by the fact that we are getting well into the last half of the year, a year of both ups and downs. It is too early to summarize the events of the year and appraise their effect; but it is not too early—nor too late—for us to pause a moment and try to view things in perspective, preparatory to plunging into the remaining months of 1938.

Some things are beyond our control, but there is much that we can and should control. Furthermore, right living entitles us to call for divine assistance when things are beyond our strength. "I, the Lord, am bound when ye do what I say, but when ye do not what I say ye have no promise."

We do not have to work alone. If we keep in tune with the infinite, if we "make friends with God," He will not only be a solace to us in our troubles, but a source of strength in time of need.

Recall the words attributed to Dean Hall of Chicago University Law School which were retold in our recent conference: "There is no limit to what you Mormons can do because you believe you have the Lord with you in all you undertake."

Let us go through the remaining days of 1938 determined to make them count for good and for growth—growth individually and growth collectively. Let us live correct principles—the principles we have been taught; let us shun no opportunity for service; let us pay our tithes and offerings. Let us do our part and the Lord of Hosts will do his.

Faithfully your brethren,
Eugene Hilton
W. Glenn Harmon
Clyde J. Summerhays

STRENGTH

By Oscar C. McCarthy
President Fourth Quorum of Elders

Were I to choose a goal worth while
Among the gifts of God,
A goal my soul could reconcile
To be my staff and rod,
I would not choose for riches great
Nor plaudits from the throng,
But in a quiet, simple state,
I'd choose that I were strong.

Not strength of arm, not brawn I might display
To overcome a foe, nor yet to lay
Some mother's soldier son whom I might meet,
A torn and broken body at my feet.

Nor would I choose to rule some nation great,
Nor industry at my command create
To raise myself that others see my tower,
And by its brightness claim tremendous power.

It is not strength like this that I should choose;
A thing so tangible that I could lose
To stronger force or hosts more great than mine,
And thus to storm or winds by fate consign.

But let me, when there comes before my soul,
Perplexing problems to control
Or just the small temptations of a foe,
Have strength of will to say a simple no.

And when a brother cries a woeful need,
I would I had the strength of heart to heed
His woeful cry, and let me firmly stand
To give unselfishly a helping hand.

Give me the strength to do the right;
To do the kind, the small;
To hide myself from my own sight;
Then shall I conquer all.

CONFERENCE CONVENTION

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security plan. This he planned to use in a sermon entitled, "What the Mormons Have Taught Me." "If, however, all we have taught is the security plan, we have failed," said Patriarch Ball. Our mission is that of faith-promoting, and the Book of Mormon is our greatest tool in that respect.

President Harmon next addressed the meeting, using as his text the prophecy of Father Lehi concerning this as the promised land to the Gentiles so long as they would serve God. Slowly but surely, said he, down through the ages, the rights of man have become more clearly defined; steadily, if slowly, as man has become ready for it, greater knowledge and freedom has been given. Lovers of democracy the world over look to us—and we shall not fail so long as we observe the admonition of Lehi.

President Summerhays spoke to the theme, "Ye Are the Salt of the Earth." He told of his experience in a tannery and how in the preservation of hides salt is used—pure salt. If foreign substances are present, if the salt has lost its savor, corruption ensues and the hide is lost. So with us—scattered through we be among the children of men—we shall be the saving salt so long as we observe the commandments.

A distinguished visitor of the conference was Elder Ernest L. Wilkinson of Washington, D. C., one-time bishop of Queens Ward, New York Stake. He related how a prominent Canadian engineer, interested in a colonization project, had come to Salt Lake City and studied the Mormon system, then went back to Canada and endeavored to organize along the same lines. He met no success because he had mistaken form for substance. Elder Wilkinson also related a visit Dean Hall, of Chicago University Law School, had paid to him while he was a student in Harvard, and there, in the presence and for the benefit of Dean Hall's son, had said most laudatory things concerning Mormon students. "There is nothing you Mormon students cannot accomplish because you believe you have the Lord with you."

The afternoon session was devoted to the Relief Society with the M. I. A. in separate sessions. The present Relief Society slogan is, "Members old and members new, 100,000 by '42." President Sarah Carruth and Sisters Parker and Jensen spoke.

The M. I. A. session in the evening featured a candle-lighting ceremony by representatives of the various young people's groups. Those participating were Ralph Lauper and James Ruff, M Men; Viola Lauper, Gleaners; Lynn Knight, Explorers; Betty Brummett, Juniors; Keith Crandall, Scouts, and Shirley Plummer, Beehive Girls. Following this, four M Men received their Master M Man pins, being presented by Stake Supervisor Walter Hall. Superintendent Lund Johnson bestowed the pins.

The meeting was addressed by Elder W. O. Robinson, whose theme was "Man Cannot Live by Bread Alone"; and by Sister Beeseley, who spoke on "Our Faith in Youth." There are nine hundred members of the M. I. A. in Oakland Stake.

SPEAKING ASSIGNMENTS FOR AUGUST

Alameda: W. Glenn Harmon.
Berkeley: Eugene Hilton.
Dimond: Ray H. Fisher, William E. Potts.
Elmhurst: O. Leslie Stone, John J. Kest.
Hayward: Don C. Wood, Delbert F. Wright.
Martinez: Grant Ellis, Nathan G. Tolman.
Oakland: Claude M. Dewsnup, Victor Lindblad.
Pittsburg: Clyde J. Summerhays.
Richmond: Don J. Allphin, C. C. Carr.
Vallejo: William J. Nielsen, I. B. Ball.

WARD TEACHER'S MESSAGE FOR AUGUST, 1938

OUR GREAT RESPONSIBILITY

As Latter-day Saints a great responsibility nas come to us. As members of the Church of Jesus Christ we have assumed the responsibility of living clean, virtuous lives, of discharging certain duties in the Church, of sharing with our brethren and sisters who are not so fortunate as ourselves, and of making our actions in every way possible reflect the teachings of the Gospel.

Above all, we have the great responsibility of so conducting our daily lives that our actions will reflect credit to the Church, that the truths of Mormonism shall be demonstrated, and that others may see our good works and "glorify our Father which is in Heaven."

In a world such as that in which we live today, this is not an easy task. We must be on guard every moment against snares and temptations. The ways of the world seem pleasant and attractive. They are much easier to follow than the ways of the Lord. But Latter-day Saints have a responsibility that does not rest upon other people. To us much has been given; therefore much is expected. We have been blessed abundantly and we shall be blessed even more abundantly if we follow the teachings of the Gospel and reflect credit upon the Church to which we belong.

Latter-day Saints are expected to be exemplary citizens. All that is stated or implied in the Artricles of Faith, in the Ten Commandments, in the Word of Wisdom, it is our obligation to observe to the utmost of our ability. And that obligation, because of conditions which now exist in the world, is more definite and more serious than ever before. The eyes of the world are upon us. Our beliefs and principles are being brought to the attention of the people of the world as never before. Our great responsibility is to make our practices square with the principles which the world knows now, more than ever before, the Church teaches.

(The above message taken from page 426 of the July, 1938 Era. Ward teachers will do well to read the further suggestions to them on pages 426-7-8.)

LETTER FROM MISSIONARY

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leader of the Relief Society; their only son is doing his time in the army. We stayed until 3:30.

". . . to the hospital to visit Brother Willkomm, a miner, hurt while at work last Tuesday; probably an invalid for the rest of his life now. He is quite old, anyway—could have had his pension quite a few years ago.

"We then made a very hard visit to Frau Rheinhardt. Her husband died day before yesterday. They were not members but were converted—ready to be baptized. It was quite a blow . . . we were there to see him both Saturday and Sunday; he was deathly sick—diabetes . . . we had blessed him, and when we went back Wednesday he looked almost well again . . . started to eating and we all thought he would be well in a few weeks. He is only 29 years old. But on Thursday he just quietly went to sleep and all was through with him.

"After this visit we walked into town and bought a few things, then visited some new friends, familie Statz. We had coffee (malt coffee) and bread with them, and then at 7:30 a few people came in and we held a very interesting and instructive house meeting—four friends, three members, two missionaries present.

"After the meeting we were still hungry, so we went uptown, bought each a plate of roated potatoes. Then it was eleven again and we hit the hay.

"And that is the way our days go. The big rub is we don't get enough time to study our grammar and very little time to study the church books. Of course, the junior companion has more time and can always find a couple of hours a day to study.

"Love to all and a happy vacation time.

"'Gene."

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ONE WHO KNEW THE PROPHET

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a petition requesting them to leave the county. Admitting that they had no right to expel the newcomers or force them to leave land that they had purchased and homes that they had built in good faith, yet the residents of Clay County clearly indicated that unless the saints left in peace, measures of force would be applied. The saints, appreciating the kindness shown them, yet felt that under the circumstances, and under the Constitution of the United States, they should not submit to lawless orders to move from their hard-won possessions without sufficient time to dispose of their holdings without sacrifice. This decision was communicated to the citizens of Clay County at the Prophet's direction.

But no delay was granted, not even sufficient time for letters from the saints to be delivered. Seeing that nothing was to be done but to leave the county, the saints held a meeting, and notified the citizens of Clay County that they were ready to leave for the sake of friendship between them, although the loss and expense in property was great.

And so 15-year-old Joseph Mayberry once more accompanied his family on an exodus of sorrow. In July, 1837, they started on their journey. This time they selected a stretch of land to the east of Clay County, then unoccupied and, for that matter, rather low and swampy in character. But such a land was their only refuge. There they could be alone and could hope to have the privilege of worshipping Almighty God according to the dictates of their own conscience. Petitioning the Legislature, the new lands were formed into a new county, designated Caldwell. The Mayberrys, in common with the rest of the saints, through dint of hard labor and thrift, encouraged by the presence of the Prophet in their midst, in a short time built homes, planted gardens, and made the place a fit habitation.

But storm clouds gathered almost over night and almost from nowhere, it would seem. Hardly a year had passed since coming to Caldwell County when one Adam Black, then a Justice of the Peace, swore to a false affidavit that the "Mormons" had entered into an alliance with the Indians, and were in open rebellion. Also that 500 "Mormons" had collected in Davies County for the fell purpose of driving the residents out in order to take possession of their property. All these rumors reached the ears of the Governor. Soon General Wilson ordered all the Mormons out of Davies County, saying that they could go into Caldwell County until spring, at which time, he declared, they all must leave the state under penalty of death. Then followed all the historic events that led up to the saints being expelled from the state of Missouri under Governor Boggs' infamous extermination order. In all the unspeakable outrages incident to this forced exodus of a free people, the Mayberrys fared with the other saints. Young Joseph Mayberry had terrible pictures of violence stamped upon his memory, which were later to be recalled and retold to his family. For instance, we have all read how the mob came to the home of Theodore Turley with the intention of killing him, but were frustrated in their murderous attempt. Well, the Mayberrys lived nearby and were witnesses of it all. More than 30 people were killed, and over a million dollars in property value destroyed by the crazed mobbers.

And so the exodus to Nauvoo began in the fall of 1838, when Joseph Mayberry was 16 years of age.

NOTICE

Is your name on the Messenger mailing list? If not write Mrs. Bert Orth, Hotel St. Mark, Oakland, giving your Ward and address.

THOUGHTS ON TITHING

What Our Church Leaders Have Said

PROPHET JOSEPH SMITH

"I made this my rule—When the Lord commands, do it."

In addition to the revelations on tithing contained in the 119th Section of the Book of Doctrine and Covenants, the Prophet Joseph Smith showed his attitude towards the principle of tithing and the covenant he and Oliver Cowdery made with the Lord on the 29th day of November, 1834:

"That if the Lord will prosper us in our business and open the way before us that we may obtain means to pay our debts, that we be not troubled nor brought into disrepute before the world, nor His people; after that, of all that He shall give unto us, we will give a tenth to be bestowed upon the poor in His Church, or as He shall command; and that we will be faithful over that which He has entrusted in our care, that we may obtain much; and that our children after us shall remember to observe this sacred and holy covenant, and that our children, and our children's children may know of the same, we have subscribed our names with our own hands."

PRESIDENT BRIGHAM YOUNG

"One thing is required at the hands of this people, and to understand which there is no necessity for receiving a commandment every year, viz.: to pay their tithing. I do not suppose for a moment that there is a person in this Church who is unacquainted with the duty of paying tithing, neither is it necessary to have revelation every year upon the subject. There is the law—pay one-tenth—I would not give the ashes of a rye straw for the man who feels he is making sacrifice for God."

PRESIDENT JOHN TAYLOR

"I am desirous to see the people observe this law of tithing, because it is a plain and direct command to us. The gold and the silver are His, and so are the cattle upon a thousand hills; and to Him belongs power to command all things. And what we do possess of this world's goods is given unto us to make a wise use of, because we cannot take them with us when we shall be called hence. It is for us, as Saints of the Most High, to be honest and upright and take a correct course, to be full of integrity and maintain correct principles everywhere and at all times. Tithing is a test of faith which God has given unto us."

PRESIDENT WILFORD WOODRUFF

"Some of the people have looked upon the law of tithing as a kind of tax and burden laid upon them, but who is it for? Our tithing, our labor, and all that we do in the kingdom of God, who is it all for? The tithing is not to exalt the Lord, or to feed or clothe Him . . . I want the brethren to understand this one thing, that our tithing, our labor, our works, are not for the exaltation of the Almighty, but they are for us. Not but what the Lord is pleased to see us obey His commandments, because by doing this it will place us in a position that will fulfill and accomplish the object of our creation, and bring about the end designed by our coming to take tabernacles here in the flesh."

PRESIDENT LORENZO SNOW

"There having been a failure in regard to this law of consecration—a failure so serious that it resulted in great misery to the people of God—a few years after the Lord gave another law for the Saints to observe in place of the law of consecration. It is called the law of tithing. If we look upon this law in its proper light, we will see the importance of it, and the danger that will result if we fail to observe it. It would hardly be justice in our Heavenly Father if He were to deal with the Latter-day Saints now in any way different from that time in which He dealt with His people in Jackson County. If we find out what resulted from their failure in the law of consecration, we may, I think, very readily and reasonably conclude what will be the result of a failure in reference to this law that has been put before us in the place of the law of consecration."

PRESIDENT JOSEPH F. SMITH

"By this principle (tithing) the loyalty of the people of this Church shall be put to the test. By this principle it shall be known who is for the kingdom of God and who is against it. By this principle it shall be seen whose hearts are set on doing the will of God and keeping His commandments, thereby sanctifiying the land of Zion unto God, and who are opposed to this principle and have cut themselves off from the blessings of Zion. There is a great deal of importance connected with this principle, for by it it shall be known whether we are faithful or unfaithful . . . The law of tithing is a test by which the people as individuals shall be known as a man who is indifferent to the welfare of Zion, who neglects his duty as a member of the Church, and who does nothing toward the accomplishment of the temporal advancement of the kingdom of God. He contributes nothing, either towards spreading the gospel to the nations of the earth, and he neglects to do that which would entitle him to receive the blessings and ordinances of the Gospel."

PRESIDENT HEBER J. GRANT

"I appeal to the Latter-day Saints to be honest with our Heavenly Father, because they are fulfilling the law and an obligation and He will bless them for doing so. Being strictly honest with the Lord is a good way to teach your children faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It is a marvel that any man having a testimony of the divinity of the work in which we are engaged as Latter-day Saints can sing lullabies to his conscience, figuratively speaking, and not be absolutely honest with the Lord in the payment of his tithes.

"It is beyond my comprehension how a man who is absolutely honest in his dealings with his fellow-men cannot be honest in his dealings with the Lord. I appeal to men to be honest with the Lord and I promise that peace and financial success will attend those who are honest with their Heavenly Father because they are fulfilling a law, and being strictly honest with the Lord is a splendid way to teach your children the Gospel."

ELDER JAMES E. TALMAGE

"After all, the prime or great purpose behind the establishment of the law of the tithe is the development of the soul of the tithepayer, rather than the providing of revenue. The latter is an all-important purpose, for so far as money is needed for the carrying on of the work of the Church the Lord required money that is sanctified by the faith of the giver; but blessings beyond estimate, as gaged by the coin of the realm, are assured unto him who strictly conforms to the law of the tithe because the Lord hath so commanded."

ELDER JOHN A. WIDTSOE

"TITHEPAYER ESTABLISHES COMMUNION WITH THE LORD: This is the happiest reward. Obedience to the law of tithing, as to any other law, brings a deep, inward joy, a satisfaction and understanding that can be won in no other way. Man becomes in a real sense a partner, a humble one, with the Lord in the tremendous, eternal program laid our for human salvation. The principles of truth become clearer of comprehension; the living of them easier of accomplishment. A new nearness is established between man and his Maker. Prayer becomes easier. Doubt retreats; faith advances; certainty and courage buoy up the soul. The spiritual sense is sharpened; the eternal voice is heard more clearly. Man becomes more like his Father in Heaven."

ELDER STEPHEN L. RICHARDS

"MONTHLY PAYMENTS: I have found it to be a very difficult problem in mathematics to pay one-tenth out of one-twelfth. I commend that thought to those who are receiving monthly stipends and who indulge the practice of paying their tithing at the close of the year. I am sure that you will find it very difficult indeed to get the tenth out of the twelfth if your tithing remains for payment until the last month. I can heartily recommend to you the payment of your tithes as your funds come into your hands, not only because it will be easier but because greater blessings will inure to you."

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WARD NEWS

BERKELEY WARD

All Services Held at Chapel, Corner Vine and Walnut Streets, Berkeley

Miss Marjorie Evans, who has spent the summer touring in the Hawaiian Islands, will return soon to take up her school work again.

At the Sunday evening services, August 7, the program, which was very well received, included the following: Two vocal solos by Orral Luke, the theme given by Laural Knight, and short talks by J. Milton Beck, of southern Nevada, and Jess Farr of Berkeley. The Young Men's organization was in charge of the program.

The Boy Scouts of the Berkeley Ward Troop, No. 8, enjoyed a swim at Richmond, and mellon feed after the swim, on August 1. Scoutmaster Raymond L. Knight and his assistants were in charge of the entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Orral Luke and young daughter, are leaving soon for Fresno, where Mr. Luke has a teaching position for the coming year.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Carpenter have returned to Berkeley after spending some weeks in Nevada.

MARTINEZ WARD

Services Held at 1022 Thompson St., Martinez

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Cullen and family have returned from a vacation trip to Ogden, Utah.

Oscar Hipwell and daughter, Doreen, are in Utah for a vacation.

Bishop Abbott and family are vacationing in the mountains near Granitville.

Mrs. Werner Von Dorp and children, of Rodeo, are spending their vacation with relatives in Los Angeles.

Mr. Raymond Evenson enjoyed a visit from his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Evenson of Venice, over the Fourth of July.

Miss Meyrle Woolley of Los Angeles is visiting in Martinez at the home of her sister, Mrs. Raymond Evenson.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bernardo of Red Bluff, former Martinez Ward members, were recent visitors at the home of Bert Guymon.

Miss Joan Bradbury, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Bradbury, is recuperating from a recent major operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Easton, Jr., and family have returned from a vacation trip up the Redwood Highway.

Mrs. Edith Fox and three daughters, of Salt Lake City, were visitors at the home of Mrs. Fox's sister, Mrs. W. B. Knowles.

Miss Lois Cullom, of Concord, and Mr. C. Manning, of Martinez, were recently married.

ALAMEDA WARD

Services Held at Odd Fellows Hall, Corner Park Street and Santa Clara Avenue, Alameda

Members of Alameda Ward are glad to have Mrs. Sarah Neilson in our midst, after being confined to her home so long with a sprained foot.

The Adult Book of Mormon Club held a social, Sunday evening, July 17. Refreshments and games were enjoyed by all.

Tommy Kellar is home recovering from an appendectomy operation.

Those vacationing in Utah at present are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tuttle and Don Tuttle; Mrs. Rose Yeaman and daughter, Joyce; Mrs. MaRee Meuter and children, Donna and Chuck.

At Camp Stevens, the Alameda Boy Scout Camp, are Arthur Evans and Mac Yeaman. Others vacationing are Lorna Evans and Shirley Everett.

Mrss. Ethel Cullen has been visiting in Boston. She will stop at Washington, D. C., New York and other points of interest in the East.

The Church History class held a weinie roast and watermelon "bust" at the home of their teacher, Miss Lucile Crandall.

Monday, July 11, the Primary spent their primary meeting at Lincoln Park with a picnic.

The Alameda Ward Building Fund Committee want to express their appreciation to several Wards in the Stake who are letting us use their amusement halls for dances. They also want to thank the committee who are making these dances such a success under the leadership of Reed Schow.

OAKLAND WARD

Services Held at Chapel, Corner Moss Avenue and Webster Street, Oakland

Mr. and Mrs. Reese Tompson attended a Tompson family reunion in Salt Lake City last month.

If you are a member of the Oakland Ward and want THE MESSENGER sent to your home every month, see that Robert Bradley has your name and correct address.

Mrs. George Gibbs Smith gave a luncheon and bridal shower in honor of Inez Hieselt, who is being married to Harvey Deem, of San Jose, in the Salt Lake Temple the last of August.

Bishop and Mrs. Norberg spent their vacation sightseeing between here and Vancouver, B. C.

Mildred Holms has been confined in Highland Hospital with scarlet fever during the month of July.

Members of the Ward wish to extend their sympathy to Dorothy Perry in the loss of her father, C. A. Perry, who passed away July 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Barney have been entertaining Ralph's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Oburne of Salt Lake City.

Lester Norberg, head of the Sumitt Stake Seminary, and brother of Bishop Norberg, was the speaker at Sacrament service, July 30.

On the evening of May 27, in the lovely lounge of the Berkeley Chapel, Miss Betty Ferguson became the bride of Mr. R. G. Hart. Bishop A. D. Erickson officiated. The wedding guests, consisting of the immediate family, enjoyed several informal vocal solos sung by the bride's brother, Tom Ferguson, and the King Sisters, accompanied by Karlton Driggs. The bride wore a simple afternoon dress of hyacinth blue crepe and lace with tea rose accessories. Her bouquet was of orchids and lillies of the valley. The bride's only attendant was Mrs. Maxine Driggs Thomas. Dr. Dean Hart, brother of the groom, acted as best man. An informal reception was held after the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Hart will make their home in the bay district.

DIMOND WARD

Services Held in Chapel at 3618 Dimond Avenue, Oakland

Our bishopric is fully organized again, with Mr. Clair J. Brossard as second councillor and Mr. Gregor Seggerstatt as ward clerk.

Best wishes from the many friends of Betty Fugerson and Tom Hart, who were married at a delightful affair in the Berkeley Chapel, are being extended.

Dimond Troop, No. 72, took a trip to Bass Lake; had a fine time until, returning home, when Roy Burrelle, senior patrol leader, took dangerously ill and an emergency operation for appendicitis was performed at Merced. Roy is now home and doing nicely.

Mrs. Emma Lauper and daughter, Viola, motored to Salt Lake City with Mrs. Ivan Lauper of Ventura, California, to welcome home Elder Marcel Lauper from the Danish mission. In Europe, Marcel visited with Roy Weindorf in Berlin and his brother, Dennis Lauper, in Switzerland.

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A reception was given for Sheryl Shurtliff and bride, *nee* Gladys Daybell of Salt Lake City, at the Shurtliff home, July 16.

Mrs. Lucy E. White accompanied the Lewis F. Boyle family home from their visit to Los Angeles. On July 22 Mrs. White celebrated being 70 years young. All honor and best wishes to this charming Arizona pioneer.

President Eugene Hilton's family have visitors from Los Angeles; also Mrs. Hilton's sister, Mrs. Louise Ison, from Woodruff, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cochran and Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Adamson are welcoming their first babies. Both boys!

The Preston Jackson family has returned from Utah.

Mrs. Ella Chase was called to Salt Lake City by the death of her sister.

A lovely party and gift was given Mr. and Mrs. Ben Young by the Church History reading class, prior to their leaving for Oregon.

Bro. Joseph S. Welch, former Ward clerk, has returned from Los Angeles.

The Knute Torgerson family has returned from vacationing in Utah.

Mrs. Emma Matheson, Mrs. Sarah Summerhays, Mrs. Helen Payne, and Mr. and Mrs. Rex McKean, are all in Utah, visiting.

Dr. Glen Dorius entertained his parents from Utah. They were here for the Lions' Convention.

The Charles C. Cherrington family have returned home from an extended visit through the scenic wonders of the West.

John J. Kest and family are vacationing at Lake Tahoe.

The Parley Fish family are spending the summer at Russian River.

Walt Eddington and family are enjoying a vacation on Russian River.

ELMHURST WARD

Services Held at Chapel, 96th Avenue and Derby Street, Oakland

Bishop McFarlane and family spent their vacation in Utah.

Mrs. W. K. Hatfield spent a short vacation visiting her son and family in Long Beach.

We are glad to have DeLos Rowe back in the Ward. He recently completed his mission in England.

Darrell and Jeanne Stauffer are visiting relatives in Ogden, Utah.

Charles Stamps recently spent a few days in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Smith and family recently returned from their vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Bernard were down from their ranch recently visiting old friends in the Elmhurst Ward. Mr. Bernard is a former Ward clerk in Elmhurst.

Mrs. Alice Cragun has returned from her trip to Idaho.

Don Schipper is spending his vacation in Ogden.

We are glad to know that Mr. A. Elmer is able to be up and about again. We sincerely hope his health continues to improve.

RICHMOND WARD

Services Held in Chapel, Corner 28th Street and Nevin Avenue, Richmond

At a lovely June wedding, which had the Richmond Ward Chapel for its setting, Miss Charlotte Fawcett was married to Mr. Eldred Haldaway, of Oakland, before many relatives and friends, June 25.

VITAL STATISTICS

BLESSINGS:
- Diane Colen Byrne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvern Byrne, Berkeley, July 3.
- Loretta Jane Brooks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brooks, Berkeley, July 3.
- Julia Harmon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Glenn Harmon, Berkeley, July 3.
- James M. Deakin, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Deakin, Oakland, July 3.
- Albert Arthur Day, Elmhurst, July 3.
- Delmar Stevens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald A. Stevens, Alameda, July 3.

BAPTISMS AND CONFIRMATIONS:
- Charles Warren Simmons, Alameda, July 3.
- David Lynden Wood, Berkeley, July 3.
- Robert Vern Marsh Pinney, Berkeley, July 3.
- Scott M. Dunham, Berkeley, July 3.
- William G. Banks, Oakland, July 3.

ORDINATIONS:
- Robert Brummett, Priest, Elmhurst.
- Boyd Nethercott, Priest, Elmhurst.
- Howard S. Davis, Deacon, Berkeley.
- Henry Kimball Lofgram, Priest, Oakland.

MARRIAGES:
- John R. Searle and Anita Gertrude Heermance, Oakland, June 18, in Oakland.

DEATHS:
- Mrs. Dorothy Bolles, Berkeley.

Bishop Arthur L. Hopkins afficiated at the ceremony, which was followed by a reception at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Nina Fawcett.

The couple left afterwards for a short honeymoon trip. They are making their home in Oakland.

For her marriage the bride was beautifully dressed in a wedding dress of white satin with a white lace veil. Her bridal bouquet was made up of gardenias and sweet peas. Miss Eurelda Fawcett, maid of honor, wore pale pink taffeta. The bridemailds, Miss Margie Gengler and Miss Hazel Gavette, wore gowns of blue taffeta.

Mr. and Mrs. Haldaway are planning a trip to the Mesa, Arizona, Temple, in the early fall.

A delicious fish dinner was enjoyed by all those who attended the Building Benefit dinner given at the Richmond Ward, July 8.

Mr. Verl and Joel Orme returned to their home in Tooele, Utah, after spending a short vacation with their sister and brother-in-law, Mrs. and Mrs. Allan Tidwell.

Bishop Arthur L. Hopkins and family spent the holiday week-end on the beach at Santa Cruz.

In honor of Charlotte and Eldred Haldaway, newlyweds, the Gleaner Girls of the Richmond Ward entertained at a miscellaneous shower, held in the Richmond Ward recreational hall. A very lively evening's entertainment was enjoyed by approximately thirty friends. Many lovely gifts were presented to the newlyweds.

Miss Lileth Tidwell has left for Smithfield, Utah, where she will visit her grandmother and other relatives during the summer.

Miss Lillian Morley is attending a six weeks' course of summer school in Provo, Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dietliper are having as their guests, Mrs. Ruth Zuppann and her son, Speir Zuppann, of Salt Lake City, Utah.

The Richmond Ward was honored to have as their speakers on Sunday evening, July 17, Stake President Eugene Hilton and his wife.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Mrs. Nina Fawcett, of the Richmond Ward, to Mr. Horace Toponce, of Oakland. The marirage took place Saturday, July 30, in the Richmond Ward Chapel with Bishop Arthur L. Hopkins officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Haddock and family spent a week's vacation in Humboldt County with relatives.

Mrs. Carolyn Zundel has returned to her home in Richmond. She has been visiting relatives and friends in Los Angeles.

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